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UNO students struggle with rising costs

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As tuition rates skyrocket and a recession stagnates family income, affording a college education is becoming harder at Nebraska institutions, according to a recent report by the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education.

The 2008 Tuition Fees and Financial Aid report found that number of full-time students has increased even as tuition and fees have increased 62 percent to 132 percent from 1997 to 2007.

Student enrollment rose at UNO, but tuition and fees makes up a bigger part of the revenue intake than at other institutions, said Richie Morrow, financial aid coordinator for the commission.

"The students at UNO are actually contributing more than 50 percent of their funding, whereas at the other institutions it's less than 50 percent," Morrow said.

The commission compiles the report every two years by collecting data by survey with the intention of analyzing "how public policy affects issues related to tuition, fees and financial aid for postsecondary students in Nebraska," according to a news release.

Much of the rise in student enrollment occurred at community colleges.

"You might be having a lot of students starting out at the community colleges and transferring to a four-year institution to finish up their bachelor's degrees" because of the lower tuition rates at community colleges, Morrow said.

The state funding a smaller portion of higher education that it did 10 years ago, while the cost of running a university increasing due to higher faculty salaries, utilities costs and other sources have put pressure on institutions to raise tuition, said Randy Sell, director of financial aid and scholarships.

UNO Financial Aid—through federal Pell Grants, student loans, the Nebraska State Grant Program and scholarships—seeks to relieve the financial burden on students. The university division awarded to over 11,000 students at UNO and totaled an estimated 76 million for the 2007-08 academic year. Almost half of those awards were made based on need.

To take advantage of these resources, a student must research sources of financial help and fill out aid applications such as the FAFSA in order to start the process of obtaining financial aid.

"The more proactive a student

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Fences around dorms 'impractical,' wouldn't improve resident security



Gates at University Village aren't closed anymore because the parking gates are too easy to walk around, making fences around the rest of the complex moot. (KIRBY KAUFMAN/THE GATEWAY)

JAMIE BELL
STAFF WRITER

A drive through almost any suburban neighborhood would illustrate basic measures of residential security: locked doors, closed windows and, often, some sort of fence. Fences serve the dual purpose of providing both privacy and safety.

At UNO, the on-campus dorms at University Village were once part of a gated community. Now, however, the gates merely exist as a decorative feature, providing no real privacy or security at all.

The dorms at both Maverick and Scott Villages also do not have a fence surrounding their respective areas, although first floor rooms are patio-accessible.

With the recent attempted sexual assault at University Village, dorm security is an issue many students are having

reservations about.

"We're being a little more cautious now," said Paul Kosel, assistant manager for Campus Security.

Campus Living Villages, the management company at University Village, did try to make the community aware of the event. They posted notices about the incident for residents the following day. In addition, the university sponsored two meetings last week to discuss safety and security both on and off campus, but only three students attended.

Calls to University Village management about the gates were not returned.

"There is nothing we can do to assure anyone's safety," said Lori Nantkes, regional director of Campus Living Villages, in an e-mail to The Gateway last week.

"However, we do take proactive measures to educate and inform residents of community activities

that may pose a threat."

Such threats still call into question what can be done to provide additional security.

One option mentioned at the safety meeting last week was to utilize the partially existing fence, so that only resident with access cards and their guests would be able to enter. This solution would require additions, since the fence as it stands today is not complete.

The fence surrounding University Village, and its corresponding gate, has been out of use for at least a few years. Kosel said that since the housing area opened in 1999, both Campus Security and management at UV have been dealing with difficulties in operating it.

"It's been a challenge since day one," Kosel said. "Students have a tendency to vandalize them."

The main reason for not keeping the gate operational,

Kosel explained, is there really was no viable way to surround the area. When the second portion of UV was built, it was constructed with a parking lot within its boundaries.

"Once the parking gates with the arms went in, it made it impractical to close the pedestrian gate," Kosel said.

Any person wishing to gain entrance to the dorms could simply walk under the parking arm.

Although University Village is at greater risk without a fence because each suite door open to the outside, it's worth asking why Maverick Village or Scott Village are not fenced in, as well. Residents on the first floor of both dormitories have patio-accessible rooms, posing an added security risk over those on the second or third floors.

"Occasionally people would walk through our room, who we didn't know, to bypass the front door," said UNO junior Jon Green, who lived on the first floor of Scott Village last year.

Green stated that he didn't believe a fence would improve security at University Village and a better solution would be to encourage open communication between neighbors.

"If residents are talking and being friendly, they can help each other out by keeping an eye on things," Green said.

The same situation holds true at Maverick Village, the university's newest dorms.

"We've never considered a gate around Maverick Village," said Bill Pickett, the dorm's managing director. "We have several other security features in place to deter intruders."

These features include swipe card access, cameras at every building entrance, two locks on every door and an intercom system.

In general, students who live on campus feel that security at Scott Village and Maverick Village is satisfactory.

Although the occasional stranger wandered through, Green said he always felt safe at Scott Village.

"Security patrols regularly," Green said, "and the buildings are secure."

However, at externally loaded dorms like University Village, there are a lot more potential security risks.

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Hastings triplets attending UNO, living in Scott Village

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Jaimie Horton, Jeni Horton and Jade Horton (KIRBY KAUFMAN/THE GATEWAY)

They say good things come in threes. Hastings, Neb., has brought UNO the Horton Triplets. Looking around campus, you might come across one or even all of them.

Jaimie, Jade and Jeni Horton decided on attending UNO because it stood out compared to the other schools they had considered. Out of UNL, University of Sioux Falls and various others, UNO was deemed to be the proper distance from Hastings.

"It's close enough but also far enough," Jade said.

They were actually born in

Omaha on Dec. 12, 1989. Despite being born in Omaha, Hastings will be always be their home, Jeni said.

The Horton's do have family in Omaha, though, and may adopt the city as their second home in the future, they said.

These freshmen Mavericks were highly involved in high school.

Jeni was involved with National Honor Society and Student Council. She and Jaimie were involved with the Big Brother Big Sister Program, as well.

Jade was a member of the Freshmen Mentoring Program, which helped new students become involved in activities and strive for

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UNO student listed in critical condition

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A UNO student is listed in critical condition after an incident over the weekend.

The University of Nebraska Medical Center listed Justin J. Reese in critical condition at 5:45 p.m. on Sunday.

The details about the incident placing Reese in the hospital were unknown at press time. An incident report was unable to be obtained from the Omaha Police Department on Sunday night.

Reese's family was adamant about not wanting any media attention on the incident, according to members of his fraternity Sunday night.

Reese is listed as the vice president of programming for Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity on the fraternity's Web site, unosigep.org. His Facebook profile lists him as a biology major.

Facebook also had a group "Praying for Justin Reese" with nearly 300 members on Sunday night.

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Keely Montgomery, a UNO sophomore who lived at UV last year and Maverick Village this year, feels that the major safety issue lies in the fact that the doors to each dorm are accessible to anybody.

"At Maverick, you have to have a card to even get into the building," she said. "At UV, anybody can walk right up to your door, whether they're a creeper or not."

Montgomery said that Campus Security needs

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success, she said.

Sports populated much of the girls' lives in high school.

Jade played softball, soccer and basketball. Jamie played volleyball and basketball. Jeni played volleyball. All three are interested in taking part in intramural sports at UNO.

The differences UNO has brought the triplets are subtle, but still have effect.

The student body is a lot larger than what they are used to, for Hastings is a much smaller town than Omaha. Having to be self-reliant is one of the biggest changes, Jaimie said.

"You live on your own and do whatever you

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is," Sell said, "the more stuff they're going to find."

Even with all these financial aid tools, funding is limited and many students' needs are left unsatisfied.

"It would be very difficult for any school to have enough resources to say we're going to cover all your costs," Sell said.

The state grant program gets contributions of \$6.7 million from the state and \$5.5 million from the lottery fund.

"But, as this report shows, it's getting more and more difficult for students, and parents to pay for higher education in Nebraska," said Marshall Hill, executive director of the commission, in a statement.

"To help those most in need, we encourage state Legislators to continue to increase funding for the Nebraska State Grant program, which focuses directly on those students."

Helping to cover college costs is a valuable investment from society that will pay back many times over, especially in a global economy, Sell said.

"I think the more educated, generally speaking, the better chance we're going to have as a country

Bormann trial set to begin yesterday

SCOTT STEWART
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BORMANN

The murder trial for a man accused of slaying a UNO student was scheduled to begin with jury selection on Monday.

Kyle Bormann, 20, is charged with the first-degree murder and use of a weapon to commit a felony. Investigators said Bormann shot UNO student Brittany Williams while she was in the drive-through lane of a Kentucky Fried Chicken/Long John Silvers at 7601 N. 30th St.

Williams was a pre-nursing student and Goodrich Scholar at UNO and planned to attend UNMC's nursing program.

For coverage of the Bormann trial, visit www.unogateway.com or pick up Friday's issue of The Gateway.

Staff writer Taylor Muller contributed reporting.

to continually make its presence known, and that students should follow the basic measures of security that everybody else does.

These include simple things such as closing the windows, using the peephole and making sure the door is locked.

"That's what a deadbolt is for," Montgomery added.

For more information on how to stay safe on and off campus, contact Campus Security at (402) 554-2648.

want," Jaimie said.

With all the fun of being independent also comes the work associated with it.

The triplets are now doing dishes, laundry and cooking on their own. These are a taste of the challenges the girls must endure while residing in Scott Village.

"There's also waking up on your own," Jeni added.

As far as academics go, the girls' majors are not set in stone, but Jaimie and Jade are leaning towards elementary education. Jeni is still undecided.

"We'll take it by the moment and see what happens," Jaimie said.

as a society in competing in that global economy," Sell said.

The state already appropriates money for the higher education institutions. If they didn't, tuition would be much higher, Morrow said. UNO received \$56 million in funding from the state apart from the grant program.

"They're subsidizing the tuition of resident students," Morrow said.

Student loans guaranteed by the federal government make up 60 percent of financial aid awarded at UNO, and more students are utilizing them to help with increasing living costs and higher tuition rates.

Even as students are facing a financial crunch, lenders are tightening eligibility requirements for student loans because of the mortgage crisis, Morrow said, and "it's a lot harder for college students to qualify for those loans."

The report's finding that student borrowing rose by 75 percent from 1996-97 to 2006-07 across the state shows that the increased reliance on borrowing is not a phenomenon limited to UNO.

"More and more students," Sell said, "are looking for assistance somehow."

NYU freshman paying tuition with donations

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NEW YORK (UWIRE) — Freshman Max Stephenson was \$25,000 short for his New York University tuition. After applying for grants, loans and looking through his savings, he needed somewhere else to turn.

Stephenson's mother is disabled and his father juggles three jobs; attending NYU was going to take some financial help.

So he sought help — from the world.

His proposal: Send him \$2.50 and receive a piece of his graduation gown in four years; send \$3.50 and get a piece of his cap; send in anything and get his extreme gratitude and appreciation.

"I did the math," Stephenson said in an e-mail. "I scored pretty darn high on that part of the SATs and figured my old teachers wouldn't mind if I use all those equations and algorithms for a bit of self-interest."

All he needs is 10,000 friends and family to give him \$2.50 — easier said than done. So far, Stephenson has gathered over \$6,000 in the form of cash, checks and PayPal payments. His donors consist of former college students, friends, relatives, soldiers and even an NYU professor. One CEO even promised Stephenson \$500 contingent on maintaining a 3.2 grade point average. He was recently featured in Time magazine and his story continues to spread.

But he's gained more than just tuition funds.

"I've had job offers both now and when I graduate, offers to help me with my nonprofit website and one suggestion to go out on a date," Stephenson said.

NYU spokesman John Beckman said Stephenson's project is unique.

"I think it is fair to say that the concept ... is pretty unusual," Beckman said. "Still, if you are a university such as NYU that explicitly seeks entrepreneurial students, you're almost surely going to see some pretty interesting instances of entrepreneurship."

But Stephenson isn't the first to turn to the public for tuition help. Illinois native Mike Hayes did it 20 years ago to attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Student reaction to Stephenson's strategy range from admiration to disapproval to awe. Freshman Scott Goldfarb admires Stephenson's creativity, drive and ambition.

"When he graduates from NYU, I think he should try and take things a step further and try to see whether or not he can do something like this to pay the rent of a typical New York City apartment," Goldfarb said. "If he can do that, I'm willing to declare him as a god among men."

But Gallatin School of Individualized Study freshman Matt Nitti showed a little more skepticism.

"Why would I expect him to compensate for a donation four years later?" he asked. "How can I fully trust the credibility of his proposal?"

Stephenson said he fully intends to reward his donors. He has a spreadsheet that contains the name and address of every donor, as well as the amount of their donation.

Freshman Laura Yan appreciated the brilliance of Stephenson's plan.

"If he can get aid that way, all the power to him," Yan said.

Crime Log

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Tuesday, Sept. 9

8:29 a.m. Campus Security responded to a call of a distraught student at the Sculpture/Ceramics Lab Building. The student was transported to counseling services.

3:50 p.m. Campus Security took a theft

report of personal property from the Thompson Alumni Center. Incident occurred between 5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 6, and 8 a.m., Monday, Sept. 8.

Thursday, Sept. 11

12:43 a.m. While on patrol, Campus Security witnessed suspicious activity in Lot G. Further investigation disclosed a drug violation.

Omaha police were requested to respond. Two visitors were cited for possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. One student was referred for disciplinary action.

11:12 a.m. A student reported the theft of personal property from the Milo Bail Student Center. The incident occurred between 11 a.m., Sunday, April 27, and 3 p.m., Friday, Aug. 15.

Joslyn, UNO partner for print fair, art symposium

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STAFF WRITER

UNO and the Joslyn Art Museum are partnering this week to bring both original art and a reason for collecting it to campus.

On Thursday, Sept 18, the Joslyn Art Museum and UNO present "Why We Collect," a free symposium at 7:30 p.m. in the UNO Art Gallery. The event is being held in conjunction with the second annual Omaha Print Fair, which runs Thursday through Sunday.

Symposium participants are Eric Denker, senior lecturer at the National Gallery of Art; Robert H. Getscher, professor emeritus and author; and Penelope Smith, Joslyn's registrar and assistant curator of prints and drawings. They will be introduced by Joslyn Director J. Brooks Joyner.

"In our lectures, we are going to talk about why we collect," Getscher said. "What sparks our interest? What drives us towards one thing instead of another? For example, Denker and I are both private collectors. Whereas he has an interest in early 20th century prints, I try to collect any damn thing I can."

All of the prints for sale at the fair are originals, meaning that the artists made these images to be printed on paper in one of several ways. Some of them are already well known and famous artists while others make a print based on someone else's previous work.

"It's like I say, there are some composers who write songs for themselves and there are some composers who write songs to be sung by others," Getscher said.

Some of the print dealers attending will be Thomas French, a printmaker from Ohio, and Beth McKeown from New York. Both sell prints from the 15th to 20th centuries by artists such as Goya, Rembrandt and Picasso originals.

Though these pieces range in the upper thousands of dollars, they will be bringing cheaper prints for those with a more modest budget. For instance, college students will bring almost 800 pieces.

Not really sure what to look for with a print? Getscher's lecture will help to explain some of the differences. She described three basic print types using either cuts on wood; etchings and engravings on metal; or lithographs on stone.

"With a woodcut, you draw the design on a block of wood and you cut all the white areas away," Getscher said. "Not only the big spaces, but even if you have two tiny lines next to each other, you have to carve between them. It is a lot of work."

Getscher said this method is used to make possibly hundreds of copies of the engraving by filling the carved out spaces with ink and pressing it on paper.

"With an engraving you take a metal rod, called a burin, and you use it to cut into a copper plate," Getscher said. "You physically push the metal out of the way in the shape you want and then spread ink all over the plate like shoe polish. You then wipe off the excess ink and leave it only in the recesses and grooves you made and then print."

With etching, you use varnish to make lines with a needle and use acid to cut the exposed copper, she said. Etching and engraving are printed the same way, except the lines are made differently.

Lithographs, on the other hand, require a completely different process. They were originally made on Bavarian limestone because it is equally receptive to ink and water, Getscher said.

"You draw your pattern onto the block with what is essentially a greasy crayon," she said. "After treating it chemically, the ink will stay onto where you drew. You can get about 2000 prints this way, as opposed to wood and metal with which the quality of the print diminishes after 200 prints."

The print fair will run from noon to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, as well as noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. Admission is free. Part of the proceeds from the sale of prints will benefit activities at the Joslyn Art Museum and UNO.

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essential library 'VAMPIRE WEEKEND'

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I believe mental images are important when listening music. An essential part of music is the image that's conjured in your head when you hear a certain song.

When I listen to the self-titled "Vampire Weekend," I think of well-to-do college guys leaving the city to go yachting on a beautiful summer day. All the fun of a three-day weekend is in one CD.

As a matter of fact, my friend asked me how my "Vampire Weekend" was. We decided from now on, everyone should refer to all three-day weekends as "vampire weekends."

In 2006, Vampire Weekend was created by four friends from Columbia College: Ezra Koenig (lead vocals, guitar), Rostam Batmanglij (keyboard, guitar, vocals), Chris Tomson (drums) and Chris Baio (bass guitar). The band got its strange name from an amateur film made by Koenig.

After touring with The Shins, Vampire Weekend made history by gracing the cover of Spin magazine before the debut album was even released.

Vampire Weekend's style is unique - blending Afro-pop music with classical Western music. The mix is simply irresistible.

Batmanglij's keyboards give way to some of the most catchy riffs and hooks on the album. Baio's bass line keeps the



songs moving, while Tomson's offbeat drumming gives the album a lot of its flavor. Koenig's guitar and vocals are as simple as they are compelling.

"Less is more" seems to be the strategy throughout much of the album. The technique works well. The lyrics are pithy and clever, no doubt; but they also are supremely enjoyable throughout.

In the track "Oxford Comma," he sings: "Who gives a [expletive] about an Oxford comma? I've seen those English dramas too - they're cruel. So if there's any other way to spell the word, it's fine with me."

Songs like "Walcott" and "Blakes Got A New Face" practically break into downright sing-alongs. I imagine that would be OK with the band, because the songs are about happiness, love, life and

enjoyment.

Vampire Weekend shows off more serious writing chops in the last song of the album.

In "The Kids Don't Stand A Chance," Koenig shows a slightly more political bend than found in the rest of the album. He sings: "You criticize the practice by murdering their plants. Ignoring all the history; denying them romance. The pinstriped men of morning are coming for the dance. \$40 million - the kids don't stand a chance."

Do yourself a favor and pick up "Vampire Weekend" today. I guarantee you'll have their songs running through your head in no time. You'll want to make every weekend a "vampire weekend."

Lowest-grossing weekend for Hollywood in five years

STEPHEN BECKER
THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS

(MCT) - **Plenty of Good Seats Available:** How bad was it over the weekend? For starters, it was the lowest-grossing weekend in five years, according to the Los Angeles Times. "Bangkok Dangerous" led a lackluster pack with \$7.7 million as the overall weekend narrowly edged the same weekend in 2003 when "Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star" topped the charts. Yikes.

The Upside: About the only good thing to say about the weekend is that it is over. Labor Day weekend and the one that follows are traditionally slow as kids go back to school, the football season kicks off and sometimes hurricanes get in the way of people headed to theaters.

Bomb Squad: It seems almost unfair to focus on just one movie, but "Bangkok Dangerous" is at the head of this disaster parade. It had the entire weekend to itself and a name-brand

star (Nicolas Cage) to sell the film, yet it couldn't even crack eight figures? When the ball is placed so easily on the proverbial tee, a home run should be expected.

Swami Sez: In a word, no.

Prediction: With everyone else forfeiting, "Bangkok" wins the weekend with a paltry \$14 million. Result: "Bangkok" only managed a little more than half that total.

Prediction: "Bangkok Dangerous" is the only film to cross the \$10-million mark over the weekend. Result: Not even it could clear that low hurdle.

Take Him to the Bank: Tyler Perry has proved himself a bankable commodity in Hollywood. Of his four films, just one

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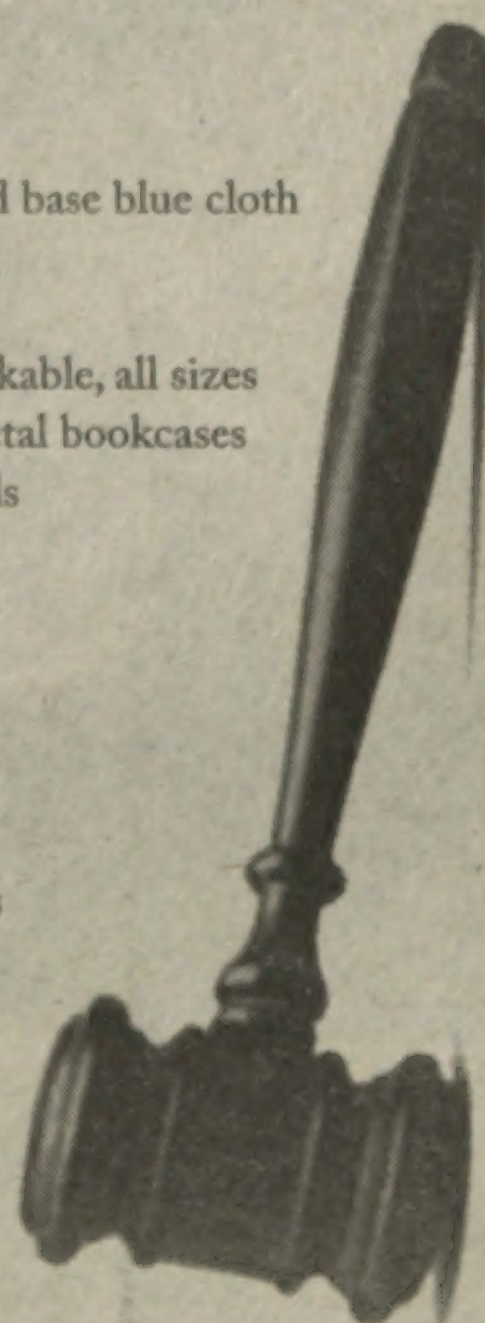
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Ladies and Gentlemen: Place your bids.

Mavericks secure first MIAA conference win

UNO defeats Emporia State 41-20 Saturday night with strong start over last-ranked conference rival

MICHELLE BISHOP
PHOTO EDITOR

The Mavs rolled through their first test as inaugural members of the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

Even though that test was against Emporia State, the preseason pick to finish last in the league, head coach Pat Behrns said he knows the rest of the league schedule won't get any easier.

"That's a pretty good football team," Behrns said. "I told that coach afterwards, 'If you're the 10th worst team in this league, it's going to be a long ways.' We got nine more teams that are going to be unbelievable."

The Hornets were unable to match the pace of the high-powered Maverick offense, as UNO scored on seven consecutive plays and rolled to a 41-20 victory Saturday night in front of 5,061 fans at Caniglia Field.

After last week's slow start against Nebraska-Kearney, the No. 5 ranked Mavs scored on their first possession and weren't denied points on a scoring drive until the fourth quarter, when a fourth-and-2 pass was broken up near the Hornet's 30-yard line.

"It was critical because it was something we didn't do last week," Behrns said. "If we wouldn't have gotten off to a good start on that team, they had the potential to keep themselves in it and obviously score some points; plus, we needed that for our confidence level, too."

Brian McNeill got the Mavs on the board with a 2-yard touchdown run, capping off a 61-yard game-opening drive. Entering the game, Emporia State had yet to allow a rushing touchdown this season.

After a three-and-out by the Hornets, Troy Kush's 40-yard punt return put the ball at the Hornets' 15. Three plays and 51 seconds later, quarterback Zach Miller found Keith Eloi in the end zone for a 9-yard touchdown pass to put the Mavs up 14-0.

The Hornets' spread offense briefly got going as quarterback Andre Sloan El guided his team 68 yards, setting up an Adrian Abner touchdown from two yards out to make it 14-7.

Emporia State didn't strike again until the end of the third quarter.

Behrns' team made adjustments to



Kelvin Nesbit hauls in a reception as Emporia State's Aaron Stubblefield tries to bring him down during Saturday's game. UNO beat Emporia State 41-20. (MICHELLE BISHOP/THE GATEWAY)

slow down the Hornets by controlling possession time. UNO kept the ball for almost 36 minutes.

"That was something we intended to do, because obviously one of the ways you can slow that type of offense down is keep them off the field," Behrns said.

The Hornets forced UNO to kick field goals on its next two possessions. Greg Zuerlein nailed them both, from 27 and 40 yards, to put UNO up 20-7.

With only 1:24 remaining in the half and the ball on the UNO 40, Miller completed six passes and connected with Mike Higgins on a 23-yard scoring pass with 23 seconds left to make it 27-7.

With UNO's first possession of the second half, a 29-yard punt return by Troy

Kush set up a 33-yard drive, capped by McNeill's run from 7 yards out on fourth down, making the score 34-7.

McNeill finished with 114 yards and two rushing touchdowns.

"I like watching McNeill a lot; it's always exciting watching him run," linebacker Jeff Souder said. "I kind of peek back in the defensive huddle."

Emporia State matched with a touchdown on fourth down. Sloan El hit Danny McEvoy for a four-yard touchdown

to complete a 10-play 80-yard drive, making it 34-14.

"We do got to be a little bit better defensively against the run than we were today," Behrns said. "But I think we made some mistakes out there that a little bit of

time and a little bit of experience will help us with."

Miller hustled 12 yards down the sideline, putting the Mavs up 41-14 at the end of the third quarter.

Miller finished with a career-high 19 completions on 27 attempts, good for 225 yards and two touchdown passes, as well as one rushing touchdown.

"Zach's a very versatile player. He can run the ball with authority," Behrns said. "I thought he was sharp in the passing game tonight. That's as good of running and passing we've had out of a quarterback in a long time."

Sloan El tossed a 15-yard pass to Tracy Hageman for the final score of the game. The Hornets' extra point attempt failed, closing the game at 41-20.

Emporia State collected 187 yards passing and two touchdowns from Sloan El and Abner rushed for 115 yards and a touchdown.

The UNO offense hammered out 449 yards, with 239 through the air.

Both offenses played solid as neither team committed any fumbles or interceptions.

"We played pretty well today. I thought we played with a lot more enthusiasm, a lot more gusto than we did last week," Behrns said. "We executed the football pretty well today on offense."

UNO improved to 2-0, while Emporia State fell to 2-1.

With their first MIAA win in the books, the Mavs are well aware of the historical significance behind the game.

"We talked as a team, as we get older and we look back, we can say it was a pretty sweet deal that's kind of neat that we actually started it," Miller said. "But, right now, we know it's the first conference win, but we want more. We have more business to take care of."

Business will resume Saturday in Joplin, Mo., when UNO travels to take on Missouri Southern State University at 6 p.m. It will be the first meeting between the two teams.



Jonathan Price can't quite make it to this second quarter pass as an Emporia State defender looks on. (MICHELLE BISHOP/THE GATEWAY)



UNO 41
ESU 20

FIRST DOWNS
30-18

NET YARDS RUSHING
210-172

NET YARDS PASSING
239-187

TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS
449-359



Top - Quarterback Zach Miller finished with a career-high 19 completions on 27 attempts, good for 225 yards and two touchdown passes.

Middle left - Reed Taylor (right) celebrates with Troy Kush after Kush's 40-yard punt return in the first quarter.

Middle right - Steve Janda defends Emporia State's Sean Partridge as he makes a fourth quarter catch.

Bottom left - Zach Miller (center) avoids a tackle as Brian McNeill blocks.

Bottom right - Brian McNeill scored twice while rushing for 114 yards against Emporia State Saturday night.

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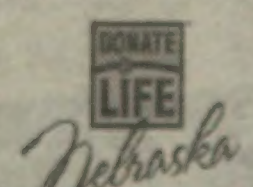
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Volleyball suffers two five-set losses

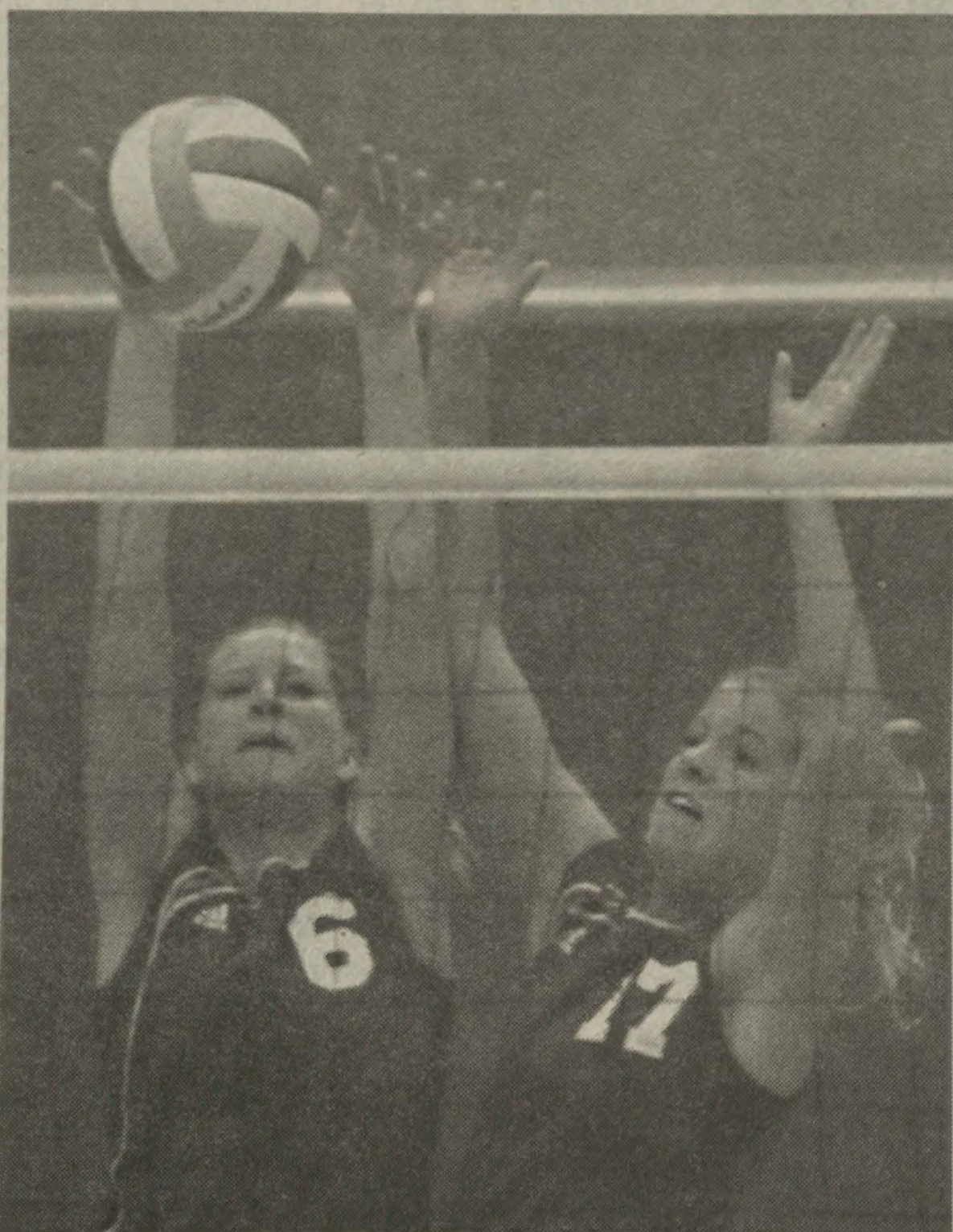
SCOTT STEWART
EDITOR IN CHIEF

UNO moved to 4-6 overall after dropping two five-set games this weekend at the Central Missouri Jennies Challenge in Warrensburg, Mo.

On Saturday morning, UNO lost to Minnesota State-Moorhead (25-16, 20-25, 25-16, 23-25, 15-11) at the UCM Multipurpose Building.

The Mavericks were led by junior middle blocker Ellen Thommes, who recorded 16 kills and six blocks; junior outside hitter Sara Kampschnieder, who recorded 14 kills and four digs; and junior outside hitter Kelli Goeser, who made her fourth double-double of the season with 12 kills and 11 digs.

Saturday afternoon saw another heartbreaking loss after a late-game rally against Southeastern Oklahoma State



Lizzy Mach, left, and Brittany Hanssen, right, go up for a block last week against Nebraska-Kearney (MICHELLE BISHOP/THE GATEWAY)

(25-21, 25-22, 15-25, 14-25, 15-12). UNO fell to 4-6 on the season, while Southeastern Oklahoma State moved to 9-4.

In the afternoon, four Mavs ended up with double-figure kill totals: Kampschnieder with 15 kills, Thommes with 13, Goeser with 12 and redshirt freshman Brittany Hanssen with 10, a career high for her. Kampschnieder also recorded her second double-double of the season with 18 digs, a figure matched by junior Kayla Jansen.

Despite the last-minute loss, UNO led the match statistically: kills 62-50, digs 86-75, blocks 9.5-6.0 and hitting percentage .237-.122.

The Mavericks will open Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association conference play on Wednesday, Sept. 17. UNO will be hosting Missouri Southern at 7 p.m. in the Sapp Fieldhouse.

Mavs pick up one, postpone another on road weekend



Senior Casey Bigsby breaks away from Griffiths' freshman midfielder Audrey Henderson on Thursday night in St. Joseph, Mo. (COURTESY UNO ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT/OMAVS.COM)

SCOTT STEWART
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The UNO women's soccer team opened Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association conference play this weekend with a 1-0 shutout over Missouri Western.

Senior Casey Bigsby scored Thursday's only goal at Riverside Field in St. Joseph, Mo.

The goal came only 47 seconds into the match, when senior MaryClaire Murnan passed to Bigsby, who scored against Missouri Western goalkeeper Jenna Weis in the right corner of the net.

Overall, the Mavericks finished 22-6 in total shots as well as 5-3 in shots on goal, while maintaining a 5-0 edge in corner kicks. The win brought UNO to 3-0 in the season going into Friday, while the Griffons dropped to 1-3-1.

Friday's game against Truman State, however, was postponed because of weather in Kirksville, Mo., where heavy rains last week made the field unplayable. The match will be rescheduled for sometime in October.

UNO will return to the field on Thursday, Sept. 18, when they take on MIAA foe Central Missouri at 7 p.m. in Warrensburg, Mo.

The mavs will then return to Omaha this weekend, hosting Missouri Southern on Saturday, Sept. 20.

UNO runners finish seventh in Central Missouri Open

SCOTT STEWART
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Maverick cross country team placed seventh in a field of 13 schools at the University of Central Missouri Open on Friday afternoon at Pertle Spring Park in Warrensburg, Mo.

Freshman Amanda Stauffer led the Mavs with her 26th place finish time of 16:22.29.

Cara Kunnemann finished 33rd, Janna Brons 37th, Lisa Tesarek 48th, Mary Margaret Nelson 58th, Jolene Smith 66th and Bailey Koziol 75th. There was a total of 129 women in the 4 kilometer run.



AMANDA STAUFFER

Pittsburg State, a conference rival, won the open with four top-15 finishes. Mid-America Intercollegiate conference rivals Central Missouri and Southwest Baptist came in second and third, respectively.

UNO had previously finished third in a field of five - Augustana, UNL, UNO, Creighton and Iowa Western - at the UNO/Creighton Classic at the Chili Greens location on Aug. 30.

The Mavs' next meet will take place Oct. in Emporia, Kan., with the Emporia State University Jock's Nitch Invitational.

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Letter to the Editor

Communication failure not new to UNO

Dear Editor:

In reference to Kristin Phillips' editorial about communication failures at UNO in regards to an attempted sexual assault at University Village, I would like to point out that communication failures at UNO regarding sexual assault are not new and, in fact, date back more than a decade.

On March 5, 1997, I was raped at UNO in a computer lab in the Arts and Sciences building.

Communication was a dismal failure at UNO even then. The telephone in the computer lab had been disconnected by the university for some never-to-be-known reason.

The only means of communication I had at the time to notify anyone that I had been raped and desperately needed assistance was via IM on America Online to a friend in Connecticut who contacted UNO Campus Security – and even then

the campus response and communication of the rape was less than stellar.

I was a very active part of the UNO community, receiving both my B.S. and M.A. degrees from UNO. I was news editor and editor in chief of The Gateway, an active member of Student Government, the Gay Lesbian Student Organization and an adjunct faculty member.

I'm deeply disappointed and angry to read that, more than 11 years after I was raped on that campus, UNO still does not take the safety of its community seriously.

Sincerely,
Heidi Hess
Plano, Texas

Editor's Note: Heidi Hess bravely told her story to The Gateway back in 1997 and we followed the case through the no-contest plea of Vinson Horace Champ for her rape. Visit our Web site, www.unogateway.com, for archived reports about the case.

Greek life provides lasting friendships, circle of support through hard times

Most people don't understand what being in a fraternity or sorority means. Frankly, sometimes I don't even understand it, although I try.

I never intended to join what I thought was the stereotypical "Greek life" I imagined after watching MTV's ridiculous reality show "Sorority Life." Because of this TV series, I envisioned a life with preppy frat boys wanting nothing but sex, drunken toga parties and petty girl fights – a life I didn't want to be part of. I didn't want to be with a bunch of girls and I didn't think I would fit in with that "lifestyle."

But then a couple high school friends, who also happened to be members of a sorority here at UNO, started talking to me about the good things of sorority life. They knew I was involved in community service organizations in high school, so I began to consider joining a sorority upon their urging. I figured I would go through recruitment and, if I didn't like it, then I simply wouldn't join.

Then I met the women of Zeta Tau Alpha, and I've been in the sorority since. I won't lie and say that it's been a smooth and simple three years, nor tell you that the stereotypical Greek doesn't exist – because they do and it hasn't always been easy.

Putting the hard times behind, I've been able to look back and be thankful for my experiences at UNO because of my involvement in the Greek community. I've made my best friends through the chapter, achieved professional and personal goals thanks to pushes from my sisters and experienced kindness and support I don't think I would've found easily elsewhere.

I'm not saying you can't find good friends unless you're Greek and I certainly don't believe I'm "paying for friends."

There's just something different about Greek friends. Yeah, we all may function

as humans the same way you do, but at the same time, we're different because of an organization that has bound us together.

You see, a lot of us didn't think we had anything in common with each other – just that we felt like ourselves and comfortable around each other. But we found more in common than our music interests, majors and political affiliations – it's more than that.

It's this commitment we have for one another.

What may be so easy for me to comprehend, but for you to never understand is the amount of loyalty and pride for our chapters we have. It's the love that we feel for our fellow brothers and sisters – it's something that can be explained, but never felt.

I've certainly felt support from my sisters. I've recently been struggling with self-identity and searching

for happiness and faithful friends. But the more and more I searched, the less I felt I was discovering. Then I began talking to my sorority sisters and realized I was searching in the wrong places. They were right under my nose – I just didn't realize it!

As I deal with my own struggles, I am continually reminded of how big a heart the Greek community has as a whole.

On Friday, Justin Reese, who is a friend and fellow Greek, was hit by a drunken driver. Soon word of his critical condition spread, as well as an outpouring of prayers and well wishes from all members of the Greek community – whether they know Justin or not.

Days after the crash, there continues to be constant updates, hugs and messages of hope exchanged. All this positivity has given me hope, as I'm sure it's given Justin's friends and family.

The reality of this dreadful situation is that this is typical – goodness from Greeks is constantly extended in times of need.

That is what the real Greek community is all about.

Controlled Chaos



Cassy Loseke

Russia looms, but doesn't pose Soviet threat

COMMENTARY BY
RICHARD WOOD
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

(UWIRE) – "Soviet Union? I thought you guys broke up."

"Nyet! That's what we wanted you to think! Hahaha!"

So goes the conversation between U.S. and Russian representatives to the UN in an episode of "The Simpsons." In the next scene, we see a new Berlin wall spring from the ground and a resurrected Lenin punch his way out of his glass tomb yelling: "Must crush capitalism!"

I imagine a lot of Americans felt they were witnessing something similar during the events of this August: Russia's invasion of Georgia, their swift victory and their subsequent recognition of the independence of Georgia's two breakaway provinces, South Ossetia and Abkhazia.

Few Americans would say they had Georgia on their minds prior to the recent conflict. But Americans can't help but be distressed by the military defeat of a democratic, pro-Western government at the hands of Russia. It feels like something out of the past.

Seven years ago, President Bush met Russia's president, Vladimir Putin, and declared that he had looked in his eyes, got a "sense of his soul," deeming him trustworthy. John McCain by contrast recently said that when he looked into Putin's eyes he only saw "a 'K' and a 'G' and a 'B.'"

Fears of a new Cold War are probably

premature. A resurgent Russia stalking American allies in Eastern Europe is troubling, but absent now is the great global ideological battle that characterized the cold war.

Although the Soviet Union was never as strong as it was perceived to be and was always doomed to collapse under the weight of its own contradictions, the fact remains that during the 20th century, communism was a major political competitor with capitalism and liberal democracy.

What haunted Americans during the Cold War was the appearance of forces dedicated to communism on every continent, often with the Soviet Union as their patron.

Russia has been surprisingly isolated. China and other Central Asian nations allied with Russia refused to grant their recognition of the separatist provinces in Georgia.

Venezuela, however, has recognized the provinces. For Venezuela's president Hugo Chavez, a new cold war might be desirable.

But it's more likely a pragmatic move by a leader who thrives on anti-American rhetoric and will support anyone who has beef with the US.

For the U.S., the reassertion of Russian power could be dangerous. We need a foreign policy paradigm that will take Russia into account, and "the war on terror" won't cut it.

But neither will resurrecting old cold war assumptions. The situation has changed, and thankfully we're in a stronger position than before.

No easy fix for declining dollar

COMMENTARY BY
LAURA SAIKI-CHAVES
KA LEO O HAWAII

MANOA, Hawaii (UWIRE) – When I walked up to the currency exchange counter in Lima, Peru, and was told that 100 American dollars translated to no more than 270 Peruvian nuevo soles, my jaw dropped.

I had been in Peru the previous summer, and the 2007 exchange rate would have given me at least 320 soles. Now I was 50 soles short? The difference could have bought me at least two cases of beer!

As a frequent jet-setter and an economics student, shouldn't common sense have prepared me for the dropping value of the dollar? Nope.

The current economic conditions have caused the American dollar to plummet against most currencies in the world, like the euro, yen and – even to my surprise – the Peruvian nuevo sol. While students studying abroad have definitely felt this change in their wallets, the slumping dollar is an indicator of even greater economic woes in the United States.

All over the nation, a rise in the standard cost of living, coupled with stagnant wages, are major causes for concern. With food prices steadily rising and gas still a heavy burden, many fear inflation and unemployment might get out of control. CNN reported that in Hawai'i alone, food prices were up 5.5 percent last year and inflation hit 4.8 percent.

As I realized upon my return to Hawai'i, these economic woes are starting to become

more and more prominent.

There I was at the supermarket, waiting to pay \$6 for a gallon of milk and about \$5 for a loaf of bread. Everyday necessities are draining consumers' wallets, leaving them scratching their heads and wondering when the sun will shine once again on the economy.

The sad news is that it probably won't be any time soon.

Like Manoa in the spring, there are still many black rainy clouds coming in. Many economists forecast a recession; others insist that we are already experiencing one.

In fact, the current economic situation is one of the most – if not the most – important issues in the upcoming election. Presidential candidates are devising plans and escape routes to try to "fix" the economy. Tax cuts here, rebates there and – voila! Problem solved.

But, while these programs are great, the economy cannot be fixed overnight. Stock markets and consumer and investor confidence cannot be restored so easily.

To top it off, the mess caused by the subprime mortgage industry and the housing market have left many financial institutions in crisis. Contrary to what the public wants to hear, it could be years before the economy is stable once more.

So what should we do in the meantime? An idea is to start saving in euros, yen or, hell, even nuevo soles. Because with this kind of uncertainty, who knows how far the dollar will drop before rising again.

also supplies two more intriguing story lines. On one hand, we have "Burn After Reading," the Coen Brothers' follow-up to their Oscar-winning "No Country for Old Men." On the other, we get "Righteous Kill," the re-teaming of Al Pacino and Robert De Niro. So which film has whetted audience appetites most effectively?

Prediction: "Righteous Kill" edges out "Burn After Reading" with \$16 million and a No. 2 finish.

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(2007's "Daddy's Little Girls") failed to earn \$20 million in its opening weekend. Friday brings "The Family That Preys," a film that was not screened for critics like most of his previous work (not that that has seemed to matter).

Prediction: There's no reason to think "The Family That Preys" won't attract Perry's faithful audience. No. 1 with \$21 million.

Joel and Ethan, Bob and Al: Friday

MavRadio starts live sportscasts



Students at MavRadio getting ready for a live show. (KIRBY KAUFMAN/THE GATEWAY)

JOHN SANDQUIST
STAFF WRITER

This fall marks an important leap for UNO's student radio station.

For the first time, MavRadio will take a break from playing music in order to broadcast live sports games. The decision to get into sports was a priority for student general manager Will Monestero and advisor Chris Allen.

MavRadio will be broadcasting four high school football games this year, as they follow the Papillion-LaVista South Titans football team.

The first game took place on Friday, Sept. 5 and was against Kearney. The games can be heard on a live stream on the station's Web site.

The four games that MavRadio is broadcasting include all of the Titans' home games this season. The remaining games Sept. 19 against Bellevue East, Sept. 26 against Millard North and Oct. 17 against Omaha North. Each game will begin at 7 p.m.

The decision to partner with Papillion-Lavista South was made with several factors in mind.

"Other schools were considered," Monestero said, "but with the lack of press box space in most schools, and because of the fee we must pay, we decided on Papio-LaVista South, due to their press box. It is big enough for two stations to have remote equipment. In fact, we shared the press

box with a Kearney AM station last week."

The MavRadio broadcasts will feature two students heading up the commentary team.

Jon Green, the station's sports director, will provide the play-by-play. Jordon Perolio, the program director, will supply color commentary.

The broadcast will not be a bare bones presentation. MavRadio provides not only a broadcast of the game action, but also includes other programming to enhance the full game day experience for listeners.

Beginning at 6:30 p.m. each Friday, the station will feature a pre-game show hosted by Will Monestero. He will also conduct halftime and post-game shows, all of which take place from the field.

Given the experience that the team will be gaining in sports broadcasting through the high school games, MavRadio is also looking to expand into college sports.

Nebraska-Omaha already has a contract with NRG Media for football, basketball and hockey games, so Monestero said that the station is considering other sports that they might be able to cover for the university.

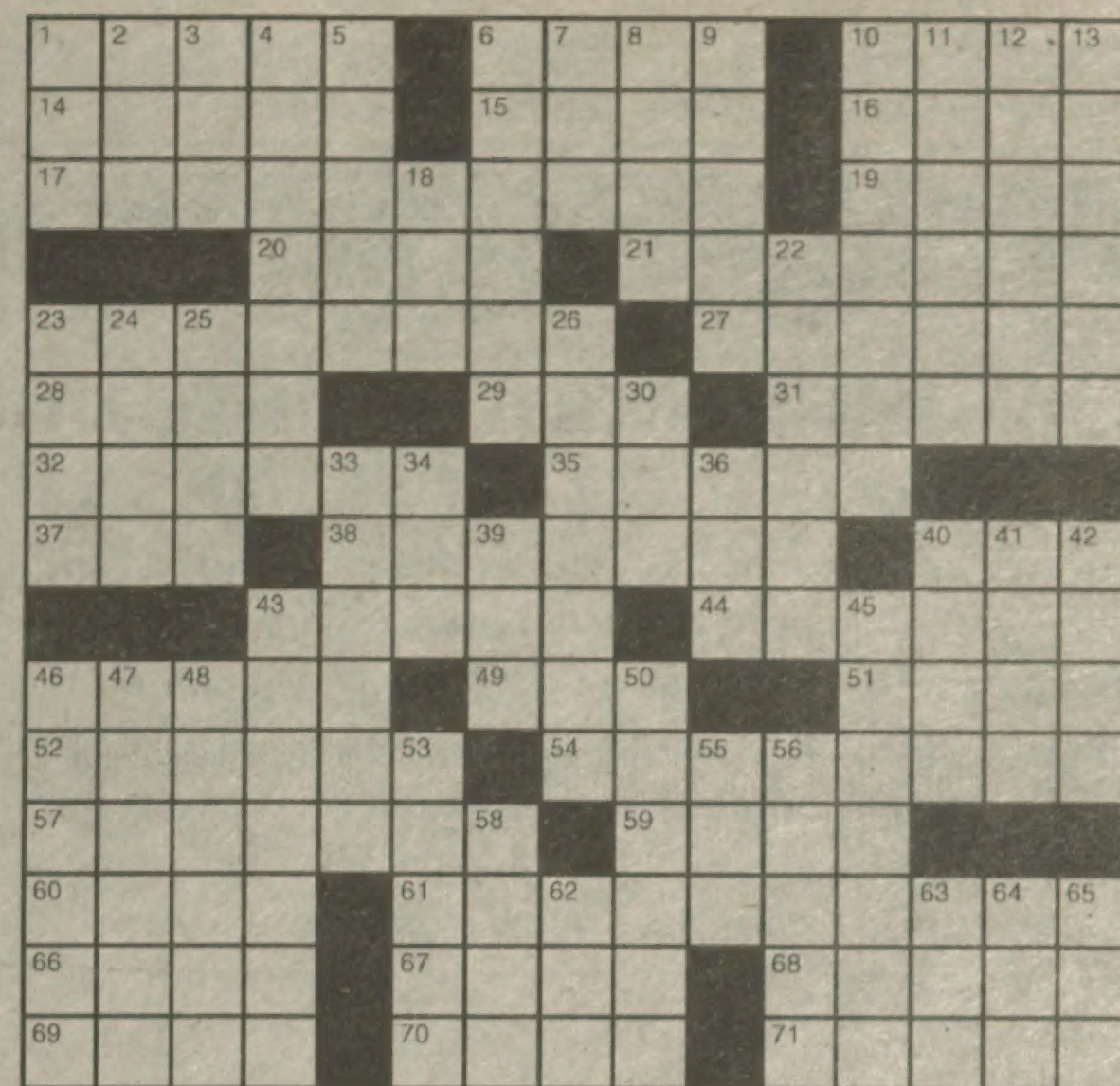
"We are currently looking into doing UNO baseball and softball games next year," Monestero said. "I think it would be a great opportunity for students to be a part of the broadcasting of these sports since they get no love within the media

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- ACROSS**
- Lotion botanicals
 - Suffer defeat
 - Blemish
 - Early insect stage
 - Tel. ____-Jaffa
 - Saintly circle
 - Burn to ashes
 - Gray or Moran
 - Sub shop
 - Isolated ethnic community
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 - Oolong or pekoe
 - Lascivious looks
 - Tenant
 - Diplomatic agent
 - Make a request
 - More prepared
 - Genetic stuff
 - Tag
 - Spots
 - Church recesses
 - Minute div.
 - BA word
 - Hungers for
 - New model's debut
 - Sticks together
 - Declare
 - Track shape
 - Diminish in value
 - Withered
 - Famous cookie man
 - "M-A-S-H" locale
 - Old Russian VIP
 - Longest river
 - Guide

DOWN

- Will Smith title role
- PC group
- Tolkien baddie
- Plain to see
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- Lasso
- Eggs to Caesar
- Web location
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| 56 Packs of playing cards | |

in Omaha, outside of UNO. This is a definite goal, but it takes time, planning and money and the third we have to raise since we are not funded from the student fund."

Because of that funding issue, MavRadio had to seek sponsorships in order to work the Papillion-LaVista South games. Pinnacle Bank of Papillion and T.O. Garcia's Restaurant were both willing to partner with MavRadio to allow

them to cover the costs of broadcasting the games.

The Metro Athletic Conference, which governs high school football in Omaha, has a media fee of \$75 per game.

The station prides itself on playing the most local music in the area. To listen to MavRadio, go to www.mavradio.org and click on the listen live link located on the right-hand side of the page.

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